NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF BOYS' CLUBS

(Incorporated by Royal Charter, 1939)

ANNUAL REPORT AND STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS 1939-40

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In this Report the usual illustrations are absent, but I hope that the simpler form forced on us by the need for economy will not be without its appeal to our subscribers

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF BOYS' CLUBS

ANNUAL REPORT

A WARTIME report presents difficulties; it must be short and it must be written at a time when rapidly changing circumstances may soon render statements of fact or expressions of opinion obsolete. There is, however, one statement which must remain eternally true. In peace or war, our youth are our first reserve of manhood and their quality of mind, body and character is of supreme importance. Most of our Club members are working boys and as such many are taking their full share in the war effort. But this war demands something more than physical effort. Undaunted courage, inflexible determination and awareness of spiritual purpose will be decisive factors. Adolescence is the most sensitive and unstable period of life. The working boy is deeply susceptible to his environment, and is easily elated or dejected. Without strong and vigorous leadership the strain of war may warp and weaken his character. The Club is the only place where many of our boys can find that leadership. Hence for the happiness and welfare of the boy and for the strengthening of our national purpose the continuance of the Club Movement in time of war is essential.

The year 1939–40 to which this Report relates was divided sharply into two periods of five and seven months, the former of peaceful progress and the latter of war difficulties and problems.

At Stockholm in July, 1939, a friendly concourse of the youth of Europe celebrated the centenary of Ling, one of the pioneers of physical education. The National Association of Boys' Clubs had the honour of providing a team to represent the working boys of Britain. The quality of this team, which consisted of boys from mines, factories, offices and workshops, makes it a fitting example of the peacetime achievement of the Club movement. At this period the National Association was increasing continuously in strength and purpose; there was a growing realisation that Clubs were eminently suited to make boys fit both as individuals and as citizens of a free community; the National Fitness Council was giving valuable assistance in the provision of buildings and of funds for Physical Training Advisers; new County Associations were being formed to give guidance and inspiration to the Clubs and to promote new Clubs. Our President, the Duke of Gloucester, was setting an invaluable example of deep practical interest in the welfare of youth. As a recognition of its value to the Nation, and as an assistance to further progress, His Majesty The King in Council, on 28th June, 1939, granted to the Association a Royal Charter of Incorporation.

The outbreak of war did not find the Association altogether unprepared. Clubs had already been advised to plan for the emergency and the Association, in addition to its own plans, had co-operated with the other National Youth Organisations in a scheme

of co-ordination in the Civil Defence Regions. Its object was to provide for the maintenance and development of juvenile organisations and as far as possible to assist the Ministry of Labour in providing for the welfare of Juvenile workers especially those transferred from their homes. This scheme was submitted early in 1939 to the Ministry of Labour on behalf of the Juvenile Organisations, and was later put partly into operation. Many of our County and Federation Secretaries have since the outbreak of war been giving valuable service as Liaison Officers for Boys' Work to the Civil Defence Commissioners.

Nevertheless, the shock of war inevitably caused great dislocation in Club work. The National Fitness Council was closed down abruptly and many grants to Clubs already provisionally sanctioned were cancelled. Premises were commandeered, leaders were called up, many clubs were in a precarious financial condition, the danger of air raids caused doubt as to how far Clubs should be kept open in vulnerable areas, and some persons of little faith and narrow vision seemed to regard Clubs as a luxury which, in wartime, could not be afforded.

At the outset of the war the staff of the National Association was reduced by the immediate volunteering for active service of Mr. R. E. Goodwin, our Assistant General Secretary, and Mr. D. Hughes Jones and Mr. A. W. Cole, our Advisers on Physical Recreation.

Fortunately, the temporary absence of air raids gave time for a vigorous policy to take effect. Steps were taken to represent through the wireless and letters to the Press, that working boys were the first reserve of manhood and that the objective of the Clubs in maintaining and increasing their fitness was of even more importance in war than in peace. The Duke of Gloucester, writing from General Headquarters of the British Expeditionary Force, made a special appeal to Club members, in which he said:

> "Though for the present my duties abroad make it impossible for me to visit Boys' Clubs as I have done in times of peace, I want you to know that I, and all those in the Armed Forces who are former members of Boys' Clubs, will continue to take a lively interest in your welfare.
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> "We have worked for, or in your clubs, because we believe that they express ideals of friendship and fitness which are of immeasurable value to the community.
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> "We must now for a time leave the carrying on and extension of this work to others.
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> "I would especially appeal to the older Club boys to be worthy of the trust. Most of you are working boys and are already taking part in the industrial effort of the country; in your Clubs you can serve in another way.
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> "With your training you can, by your fitness and your example, be an influence and an inspiration to others; you can make of each of your Clubs a centre of activity, courage and calmness, which

will be a source of great strength throughout these difficult days.

"You will be sharing with us in the struggle, and if you hold fast to the common ideals of the Boys' Club Movement, you will be preparing the way for an abiding peace."

The response to these appeals was most encouraging, and stimulated by war difficulties a fresh vigour and energy permeated the Club Movement. In spite of many casualties amongst the weaker clubs, a policy of development began to gather momentum. The elasticity and freedom which the Jubilee Trust has always allowed to the National Association in the distribution of its grants was of the greatest value in the crisis. The whole of the available balance in the Grant Fund was placed in a War Emergency Fund, from which grants were made to Clubs and Area Organisations with a minimum of delay. There is evidence that this timely assistance, though limited in amount, has been of great value in enabling a large number of Clubs and Club Organisations to keep actively in being through these critical months. The trustees of the London Parochial Charities, to whom London Clubs have owed so much in the past, allowed its grants to be used for maintenance, and the continued support of the Carnegie United Kingdom Trust for Headquarters eased the financial position of the Association.

Meantime the Government took action to secure the continuance of youth work. The National Youth Committee was set up by the President of the Board of Education, and as an emergency measure gave a grant to the Association for the benefit of its Clubs and organisation, both central and local. His Majesty The King in a letter to the Prime Minister, graciously commended youth work and in appealing for Leaders, said "Service for Youth is service in the cause of Britain".

Vigorous representations resulted first in slowing down the commandeering of Boys' Club premises and then in releasing a number of premises already taken over.

As the result of all these efforts many of our Clubs which closed down at the beginning of the war have been re-opened and a substantial number of new clubs have come into existence though, of course, much below the average of normal times.

The returns received indicate that about 1,250 affiliated Clubs, or roughly 77 per cent. of the total, were open at the end of the financial year with perhaps three-quarters of the total pre-war membership. If we bear in mind the devastating effects of war conditions—loss of leaders, loss of funds, loss of premises, together with the loss of junior membership through evacuation, these figures, far from giving ground for discouragement, are a tribute to the courage and faith with which the Boys' Club Movement has stood up to the first shock of the war. It remains to be seen how far it can continue to hold its own through the dark period which lies before us until peace returns.

In considering the major problem of future policy and possibilities,

a foremost place must be given to the new policy announced by the Board of Education in Circular 1486, issued on 27th November, 1939. In that circular the Board announced its intention to assume responsibility for adolescent welfare and to promote a partnership between Voluntary Organisations and Local Education Authorities. The National Association of Boys' Clubs warmly welcome this evidence of a changed attitude on the part of the Nation towards the needs of youth, and are doing all in their power to help to make the new movement a success. We believe the intention to be that Voluntary and Statutory Organisations shall co-operate for common ends on the basis of an equal partnership in which each member maintains its own individuality. We earnestly hope that this intention will be fulfilled in the practical operation of the scheme. Local Education Authorities can, if so willing, make an invaluable contribution towards the attainment of our common aims but it would be very undesirable that they should become the arbiters of the development of youth work. Much will undoubtedly depend on the influence which our County Associations and Federations are able to bring to bear on Local Youth Committees. In some areas the urgency of the need to keep boys and girls off the streets has led to schemes which are little more than the provision of cheap entertainment at the expense of the ratepayers. The National Association, whilst fully recognising the importance of leisure time recreation, sees no reason to withdraw, but every reason to emphasise the conclusion implicit in "Principles and Aims," that youth work should have a positive objective of a constructive character.

The forms of National Service in which Clubs have taken part are manifold; substantial sums have been raised for the Duke of Gloucester's Red Cross Fund, Savings Groups have been started, collections of waste material organised, messengers supplied for A.R.P. and assistance given in the varied problems of A.R.P.; almost every Club has maintained contact with its former members who are serving in the Armed Forces and immediately on the inauguration of the Local Defence Force, large numbers of Club boys over 17 volunteered.

The South Wales Federation, in co-operation with the National Association, equipped a Travelling Theatre; the performers were boys from Clubs in South Wales, under the direction of Mr. Anthony Thomas, the drama adviser to the National Association. The Travelling Theatre, though hampered by wartime difficulties, gave 30 performances in 27 towns of England and Wales. The performances, which were largely attended by evacuees in many parts of the country, were of a high standard and showed once again the great ability possessed by working boys which is often regrettably allowed to run to waste because of lack of encouragement and leadership.

Scarcity of leadership is one of the major factors, perhaps *the* major factor, which prevents a still wider extension of the Club Movement. The claim was rightly made at the beginning of the war

that leadership of Boys' Clubs is a service of national importance second only to service with the Armed Forces. The force of that claim does not diminish as the intensity of the struggle increases, and as more and more of the young leaders are called their places must be taken by older or younger men.

The Association has carried out interesting and valuable experiments in providing training courses for senior boys with a two-fold purpose, namely, to qualify the boys to help more effectively in their own Clubs and to inspire them with a sense of the obligation to give the maximum possible service in time of war.

Up to the time of writing (June, 1940), twenty-four week-end training courses of this kind have been held in various parts of the country, which have been attended by over 800 club boys over the age of 16. A week's training course attended by 67 boys has been held in the present month at Brathay Hall, Ambleside. There is abundant evidence of the practical value of these courses at a time when there is a famine of Club leaders and helpers.

The Association has also taken an active part in arranging and helping to staff a number of week-end training courses for Club leaders, held under the auspices of County Associations and Federations, or Local Youth Committees. The customary National Week's Training Course was held in July 1939 with marked success at Lady Margaret Hall, Oxford, when there were sixty-five present.

Lastly, the Association has formulated a scheme for awarding bursaries to selected boys leaving school at or about the age of eighteen, to enable them to gain first-hand experience of Boys' Club work in the interval before they joined the Armed Forces.

When the Great War broke out in 1914 there were Boys' Clubs in many of our towns and cities, with a long and most honourable record of service to their own localities. Federations or Unions of Clubs, already established in London, Liverpool and Birmingham, helped a number of Clubs to weather the storm. But for the most part, Clubs in 1914-18 had to struggle alone and unaided against the difficulties of absent leaders and diminished financial support. Some went under. The survival of many was convincing proof of their indispensability and of the quality of their members.

The N.A.B.C. was formed largely because the Great War had proved that the Clubs had a wider significance to the life of the nation than had been dreamed of by the pioneer leaders who had turned their minds to the problems of boy-life in poor and crowded areas. We believe that the World War, now raging around our coasts and in the air above us, will prove that the Clubs and the Club Movement have already done something of distinctive and fundamental value to make boys fitter for freedom, and that the present stirring of the hearts and souls of men will result in a new national resolve to give our adolescent boys a fairer chance and fuller opportunities. The difficulties with which the whole Club Movement is now contending are real and formidable. We need help in money to supple-

ment falling revenues and to meet new needs ; and in men, to take the place of leaders who are engaged in national defence. The service of the nation's boys, the workers, citizens—and the soldiers, sailors and airmen—of the future, is national service of the most fruitful kind. To give that service, in co-operation with public bodies, where that is possible, but to give it at all times and in all ways which are open to a voluntary organisation to all boys of Club age, is the reason for the N.A.B.C.'s existence. It faces the future with faith in the quality of British boyhood and with determination to help the boys of today to carry worthily the heavy responsibilities which will fall on them as men.

H. Llewellyn Smith,
Chairman.

E. F. Piercy,
Secretary.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

In previous years it has been customary to print a list of donors and subscribers to the funds of the Association. It will be understood that in the present circumstances the need for economy precludes the usual course, but those who have so helpfully supported the Association during the past year may be assured that their support has been appreciated as warmly as in the past. Individual acknowledgements have been sent, as in peace time, by post, in respect of all contributions received.

BALANCE SHEET

and

INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNTS

1939-40

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st MARCH, 1940

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Creditors and Credit Balance				191	14	3
General Fund—						
Balance 1st April, 1939	9,165	11	5			
Add: Miss Greet Legacy ...	45	0	0			
The Bernhard Baron Trust	50	0	0			
The Jewish Youth Fund	250	0	0			
	9,510	11	5			
Deduct: Excess of Expenditure over Income for the year as per attached Account	1,271	18	2			
				8,238	13	3
Foundation Fund—						
Invested: Balance at 1st April, 1939	15,465	14	1			
Not invested	4	10	6			
				15,470	4	7
Colonisation Fund—						
Invested	2,950	0	5			
Not invested (merged in General Fund Cash)	193	9	8			
				3,143	10	1
Emergency Fund Balance—						
(See attached Account) ...				585	6	9
Special Funds—						
Balance 1st April, 1939	7,383	11	1			
Add: Amounts received during the year	26,520	13	0			
	33,904	4	1			
Deduct: Allocations distributed ...	27,847	7	10			
				6,056	16	3

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Cash—						
Balances at Bank: General Account	153	19	10			
Reserve Account	153	11	0			
London Savings Bank ...	753	1	9			
In hand	11	5	11			
				1,071	18	6
Debtors and Debit Balance— (including interest on Investments due but not yet received) ...				337	5	0
Drama Library—						
Balance 1st April, 1939	1	18	4			
Additions during the year at cost	3	11	9			
	5	10	1			
Less: Depreciation at 50% ...	2	15	1			
				2	15	0
Stock of Publications	73	15	6			
Badges in Hand	5	0	0			
				78	15	6
Leasehold Premises—						
Balance 1st April, 1939	2,293	7	10			
Less Amount written off ...	382	4	8			
				1,911	3	2
Office Furniture and Equipment—						
Balance 1st April, 1939	185	5	0			
Additions during the year at cost	2	0	0			
	187	5	0			
Less: Depreciation at 25% ...	46	18	6			
				140	6	6

We have examined the Balance Sheet of the National Association of Boys' Clubs dated 31st March, 1940, as set forth above, the annexed General and Special Income and Expenditure Accounts for the year ended 31st March, 1940, and the Emergency Fund Receipts and Payments Accounts for the year ended 31st March, 1940, and have compared them with the books kept by the Association and find them to be in accordance therewith. We have vouched the payments, tested the accuracy of the receipts and have verified the Cash at Bank. The National Council of Social Service have certified to us that they hold the Investments as Trustees of the Association. We have obtained all the information and the explanations we have required, and in our opinion, such Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Association's affairs, according to the best of our information and the explanations given to us, and as shown by the books of the Association.

BLACK, GEOGHEGAN & TILL,
Chartered Accountants, 67 Watling Street, E.C.4

ABERDARE,
Hon. Treasurer, National Association of Boys' Clubs.

£33,686 5 2

Field Secretaries' Motor Cars. (Two)—						
Balance 1st April, 1939	420	13	4			
Additions during the year at cost	392	13	0			
	813	6	4			
Less: Depreciation and allowance on exchange of cars	538	6	4			
				275	0	0
Investments—General Accounts—						
£5,297. 4*s.* 1*d.* 3½% War Stock ... (The market value at 29th March, 1940, was £5,191.)				5,392	0	3
Foundation Fund—						
Investments at Cost—						
£6,256. 10*s.* 0*d.* Nigeria 5% Stock 1950/60	6,338	4	7			
£6,200. Southampton 5% Stock 1947/67	6,288	15	6			
£2,373. 17*s.* 1*d.* 3½% War Stock	2,264	14	6			
£569. 12*s.* 0*d.* West Ham 5% Stock 1948/68 ... ... (The market value of these investments at 29th March, 1940, was £16,415.)	573	19	6			
Balance at Bank	4	10	6			
				15,470	4	7
Colonisation Fund—						
Investment at Cost—						
£2,937. 11*s.* 0*d.* 3½% War Stock (The market value at 29th March, 1940, was £2,879.)				2,950	0	5
Special Funds—						
Balance at Bank				6,056	16	3
				£33,686	5	2

GENERAL INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 1940

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To *Publication Expenses*—						
Printing and Publishing *The Boy* ...	297	11	8			
Less Subscriptions ... £15 9 0						
„ Advertisements 48 9 3						
	63	18	3			
	233	13	5			
Add Expenses of other Publications, less Sales	59	14	0			
				293	7	5
„ *Salaries, Wages and National Insurance and Amounts paid for Specialist Services*	4,500	17	11			
Deduct Amounts apportioned to Development & Training Accounts	1,809	0	10			
	2,691	17	1			
Less: Amounts charged in Special Funds Income and Expenditure Account—						
For Specialist Services from the King George's Jubilee Trust Fund ... 862 16 6						
For Salaries of Advisers on Physical Recreation from National Fitness Council 623 0 1						
	1,485	16	7			
				1,206	0	6
„ *Administrative Proportion Development Expenditure*—						
Field Secretaries' Salaries	1,122	4	7			
„ „ Expenses	111	16	2			
Proportion Allocated from Administrative Salaries and Wages ...	1,507	10	8			
Upkeep, Running Expenses and Depreciation of Motor Cars ...	487	15	1			
				3,229	6	6

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
By Donations—General				802	1	6
„ Annual Subscriptions and Payments under Deed of Covenant				2,001	8	1
„ Interest on Investments				919	15	8
„ Grants from Carnegie United Kingdom Trust				1,937	10	0
„ Grant from King George's Jubilee Trust Fund (being proportion allocated to General Funds of a grant of £10,000)				800	0	0
„ Grant from National Fitness Council (being proportion allocated to General Funds for office expenses) ...				75	0	0
„ Affiliation Fees				217	6	8
„ Interest on Grants Account				90	8	0
„ Profit on Sale of Badges				3	2	10
„ Holiday Insurance Scheme					17	0
„ Insurance for Boys' Clubs—Accident, Sickness and Legal Liability—						
Premiums Received	686	6	8			
„ Paid	669	18	2			
				16	8	6
„ Discounts Received				18	9	0
„ Excess of Income over Expenditure at Annual Conference				8	15	0
„ Balance, being Excess of Expenditure over Income, carried to Balance Sheet				1,271	18	2

„	*Training Expenditure*—						
	Expenses on Training Courses ...	117	15	9			
	Salary, Car Allowance and Travelling Expenses	473	15	0			
	Proportion allocated from Administrative Salaries and Wages ...	301	10	2			
					893	0	11
„	*Excess of Expenditure over Receipts on Boys' Conference*				112	4	6
„	*Rent*—Payable	250	0	0			
	Less Receivable	71	0	6			
					178	19	6
„	Leasehold Premises, Amount written off				382	4	8
„	Rates and Taxes				164	10	0
„	Postage, Telegrams and Cables ...				230	10	1
„	Telephone				85	15	7
„	Printing and Stationery				336	14	0
„	Office Expenses and Sundries				160	12	9
„	Lighting and Heating				79	14	7
„	Bank Charges				10	3	2
„	Travelling Expenses				83	14	6
„	Repairs				8	10	0
„	Contributions to other Societies ...				9	18	0
„	Office and Staff Insurance				10	3	0
„	Pension Fund and Life Assurance, N.A.B.C. Contribution				269	12	10
„	Cost of various appeals				41	2	7
„	Depreciation—						
	Drama and Library Books ...	2	15	1			
	Office Furniture	46	18	6			
					49	13	7
„	Publicity				52	10	0
„	Legal Costs				12	1	6
„	Ling Centenary—Cost of sending Team to Stockholm...	357	13	4			
	Less Donations and other Receipts	210	10	7			
					147	2	9
„	Royal Charter—Stamp Duty and other Charges				115	7	6
					£8,163	0	5

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SPECIAL FUNDS. INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 1940

EXPENDITURE

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
To *Bellingham Playing Fields, Capital Account*—		
Balance at 31st March, 1940 ...		7 13 6
„ *Bellingham Playing Fields, Rentals Account*—		
Rent Paid	362 10 0	
Insurance	3 19 9	
Amount paid to London Federation of Boys' Clubs	146 0 3	
		512 10 0
„ *Camping Fund*—		
Grants to affiliated Federations and Clubs		402 0 0
„ *Carnegie United Kingdom Trust Fund* for Loans to Clubs and other Juvenile Organisations ...		
Repaid to Trustees during year ...	557 0 0	
Balance held in Trust, 31st March, 1940	43 0 0	
		600 0 0
„ *London Parochial Charities for London Clubs*—		
Amounts distributed during year	2,316 8 6	
Balance allocated but not yet distributed	284 9 6	
		2,600 18 0
„ *National Fitness Council*—		
Balance at 1st April, 1939 ...	12 15 8	
Salaries of Organisers	623 0 1	
Expenses of Organisers	208 7 3	
		844 3 0

INCOME

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
By *Bellingham Playing Fields, Capital Account*—		
Balance at 1st April, 1939 ...		7 13 6
„ *Bellingham Playing Fields, Rentals Account*—		
Balance at 1st April, 1939 ...	12 10 0	
Rents received during year ...	500 0 0	
		512 10 0
„ *Camping Fund*—		
Balance at 1st April, 1939 ...	2 0 0	
Grant from King George's Jubilee Trust Fund	400 0 0	
		402 0 0
„ *Carnegie United Kingdom Trust Fund* for Loans to Clubs and other Juvenile Organisations ...		
In Trust, 1st April, 1939 ...	423 10 0	
Repayments made during year ...	176 10 0	
		600 0 0
„ *London Parochial Charities for London Clubs*—		
Balance at 1st April, 1939 ...	700 18 0	
Amount received from Trustees during year	1,900 0 0	
		2,600 18 0
„ *National Fitness Council*—		
Amounts received from Board of Education	632 12 5	
Amounts received from Jubilee Trust Fund	211 10 7	
		844 3 0

„	*National Council of Social Service—*						
	(Special Areas Fund) ...						
	Grants made to Clubs		6,961	7	1		
	Balance not yet distributed ...		1,451	7	4		
						8,412	14 5
„	*War Emergency Fund—*						
	Grants to Clubs and Area Organisations		15,466	14	11		
	General Fund		800	0	0		
	Balance allocated but not yet distributed		4,270	5	11		
						20,537	0 10
						£33,916	19 9

„	*National Council of Social Service* (Special Areas Fund)—						
	Balance at 1st April, 1939 ...		1,837	14	5		
	Amounts received during year ...		6,700	0	0		
						8,537	14 5
„	*War Emergency Fund—*						
	Balance at 1st April, 1939 ...		4,412	0	10		
	Amounts received during year from King George's Jubilee Trust Fund		10,000	0	0		
	from Board of Education ...		6,000	0	0		
						20,412	0 10
						£33,916	19 9

EMERGENCY FUND. RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 1940

RECEIPTS

	£	s.	d.
To Balance 1st April, 1939	694	19	8
Picture scheme, grant from Carnegie United Kingdom Trust	100	0	0
Advances to Sundry Associations and Clubs; Unspent monies returned	45	12	11
	£840	12	7

PAYMENTS

	£	s.	d.
By Grants to Sundry Associations and Clubs	105	0	0
„ Fitness Plaque Scheme	8	2	6
„ Bursary Expenses	63	14	5
„ Picture Scheme, Payments, *less* Receipts	78	8	11
„ Balance as at 31st March, 1940	585	6	9
	£840	12	7

LIST OF AREA ORGANISATIONS

THE Club movement is organised throughout the country in a variety of ways dependent on local circumstances and historical reasons. The many Clubs attached to the Y.M.C.A. are linked to the N.A.B.C. through the Boys' Department of the Y.M.C.A. Scotland has its own Association which is affiliated to the N.A.B.C. and Wales has two organisations, one for North Wales and one for South. The following list gives names and addresses arranged geographically of area, county and borough organisations responsible for the maintenance and development of the Club Movement.

BEDFORDSHIRE. BEDFORDSHIRE & HERTFORDSHIRE GROUP OF BOYS' CLUBS; Hon. Secretary: *W. A. Warner*, Greenways, 13, Selwyn Crescent, Hatfield, Herts.

CHESHIRE. (See Lancashire & Cheshire Association of Boys' Clubs).

BIRKENHEAD FEDERATION OF BOYS' CLUBS; Hon. Secretary: *Rev. W. R. Jellie*, The Vicarage, Lowwood Road, Birkenhead.

CHESTER FEDERATION OF BOYS' CLUBS; Hon. Secretary: *F. H. Wilkinson*, Bishop Lloyd's House, Watergate Street, Chester.

CUMBERLAND. CUMBERLAND AND WESTMORLAND ASSOCIATION OF BOYS' CLUBS; Organising Secretary: *H. Williams*, 42, Lowther Street, Whitehaven.

BARROW-IN-FURNESS FEDERATION OF BOYS' CLUBS; Hon. Secretary: *W. E. Edmundson*, Education Offices, Barrow-in-Furness.

DERBYSHIRE. (See Nottinghamshire & Derbyshire Association of Boys' Clubs).

DEVONSHIRE. PLYMOUTH AND DISTRICT COUNCIL FOR BOYS' CLUBS; Organising Secretary: *W. E. McGrath*, St. Andrews Lodge, Lockyer Street, Plymouth.

DURHAM. DURHAM ASSOCIATION OF BOYS' CLUBS; Organising Secretary: *C. O'Brien Donaghey*, 59, John Street, Sunderland.

SUNDERLAND COUNCIL OF BOYS' CLUBS; Hon. Secretary: *The Rev. D. Little*, 6, Cresswell Terrace, Sunderland.

ESSEX. ESSEX ASSOCIATION OF BOYS' CLUBS; Organising Secretary: *K. Houlden*, 54, New Street, Chelmsford.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE. County Organiser: Anthony Thomas, Clifton Cottage, Campden, Gloucestershire.

BRISTOL AND DISTRICT FEDERATION OF BOYS' CLUBS; Organising Secretary: *J. T. Banister*, 86-88, Colston Street, Bristol, 1.

HAMPSHIRE. HAMPSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF BOYS' CLUBS; Organising Secretary: *N. Goodridge*, 2, Clifton Terrace, Winchester.

PORTSMOUTH AND DISTRICT COUNCIL FOR BOYS' CLUBS; Organiser: *L. S. Pryer*, 4 Burgoyne Road, Southsea.

SOUTHAMPTON FEDERATION OF BOYS' CLUBS; Hon. Secretary: *B. C. Britton*, 1, Cranbury Terrace, Southampton.

HERTFORDSHIRE. (See Bedfordshire & Hertfordshire Group of Boys' Clubs).

KENT. KENT ASSOCIATION OF BOYS' CLUBS; Acting Hon. Secretary: *W. Morland*, Court Lodge, Lamberhurst, Kent.

LANCASHIRE. LANCASHIRE AND CHESHIRE ASSOCIATION OF BOYS' CLUBS; Organising Secretary: *Major Bramwell Withers, O.B.E.*, Lune Mills, Lancaster.

LIVERPOOL FEDERATION OF BOYS' CLUBS; Secretary: *E. J. Humble*, Tower Building, Water Street, Liverpool.

MANCHESTER FEDERATION OF BOYS' CLUBS; Secretary: *Noel Beggs*, Gaddum House, 16, Queen Street, Manchester.

LEICESTERSHIRE. CITY OF LEICESTER ASSOCIATION FOR BOYS' CLUBS; Hon. Secretary: *P. E. Ashwell*, 2, Pool Road, Leicester.

LONDON. LONDON FEDERATION OF BOYS' CLUBS; Hon. Secretary: *Sir Charles Wrench*, 222, Blackfriars Road, S.E.1.

ASSOCIATION FOR JEWISH YOUTH; Gen. Secretary: *D. Mellows*, 17, Bedford Square, London, W.C.1.

NORTHUMBERLAND. NORTHUMBERLAND ASSOCIATION OF BOYS' CLUBS; Organising Secretary: *L. Teasdale*, Bible House, 14a, Pilgrim Street, Newcastle.

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE AND DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF BOYS' CLUBS; Organising Secretary: *G. Spencer*, 32, Park Row, Nottingham.

STAFFORDSHIRE. STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF BOYS' CLUBS; Secretary: *Major C. W. Dann, M.C.*, National School Building, Gaol Road, Stafford.

STAFFORDSHIRE OLD SCHOLARS' ASSOCIATION; Hon. Secretary: *Capt. R. W. Steventon*, County Education Offices, Stafford.

WOLVERHAMPTON COUNCIL FOR BOYS' CLUBS; Organising Secretary: *Fred Flower*, 9, Horseley Field, Wolverhampton.

SUSSEX. SUSSEX ASSOCIATION OF BOYS' CLUBS; Acting Secretary: *M. Gell*, 173, High Street, Lewes.

WARWICKSHIRE. BIRMINGHAM AND DISTRICT FEDERATION OF BOYS' CLUBS; Organising Secretary: *J. Marshall Smith*, 26, Bristol Road, Birmingham.

WESTMORLAND. (See Cumberland and Westmorland Association of Boys' Clubs).

WEST OF ENGLAND. WEST OF ENGLAND ASSOCIATION OF BOYS' CLUBS; Hon. Secretary: *Capt. Erskine Knollys, O.B.E., M.C.*, Burrowfield House, Bruton, Somerset.

YORKSHIRE. YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF BOYS' CLUBS; Hon. Secretary: *E. Rickerby*, Moorwood Hall, 2, Lifton Place, Leeds 2.

HULL COUNCIL OF BOYS' CLUBS; Hon. Secretary: *G. R. Atkinson*, 82, Kenilworth Avenue, Hull.

LEEDS COUNCIL OF BOYS' CLUBS; Acting Secretary: *E. Rickerby*, Morwood Hall, 2, Lifton Place, Leeds 2.

TEESIDE AND CLEVELAND AREA COUNCIL; Hon. Secretary: *T. W. Walker*, Joe Walton Boys' Club, Lower Feversham Street, Middlesborough.

SCOTLAND. SCOTTISH ASSOCIATION OF BOYS' CLUBS; Secretary: *Stanley Nairne, M.A.*, 12, Alva Street, Edinburgh, 2.

WALES. NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION OF BOYS' CLUBS; Organising Secretary: *G. Powell*, 33, Hillside Road, Colwyn Bay.

SOUTH WALES FEDERATION OF BOYS' CLUBS; Gen. Secretary: *G. B. Bradney*, 55, Charles Street, Cardiff.

GENERAL INFORMATION

EVERY BOYS' CLUB which fulfils the conditions set out below should be affiliated to the National Association of Boys' Clubs. Thus only can the work of individual leaders be linked together into one National Movement and gain added strength from a unity of purpose. The many functions which the National Association fulfils include negotiation and co-operation with Government Departments, the promotion of new Clubs, the organisation of Local Federations and County Associations, the training of leaders, the stimulation of public interest in the Boys' Club Movement, the publication of handbooks and literature, as well as providing the services mentioned below.

CONDITIONS OF AFFILIATION. Application for affiliation will be considered from any club which: (*a*) Has premises in which it regularly meets, and a responsible head and Committee of Management; (*b*) Charges a membership subscription; (*c*) Has a membership which comprises at least fifteen boys between the ages of 14 and 18 or, in the case of an "Old Boys' Club," between the ages of 18 and 25; (*d*) Meets at least twice a week; (*e*) Is open at all reasonable times to be visited by an accredited officer of the Association; (*f*) (In the case of Old Boys' Clubs) is directly related to a Boys' Club, and wholly or mainly recruited therefrom.

The affiliation fee is five shillings per annum, which entitles the Club to receive *The Boy* and other literature.

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Handbook No. 1.	Principles and Aims of the Boys' Club Movement...	Price 3*d.*
Handbook No. 3.	Club Libraries	Price 3*d.*
Handbook No. 4.	The Small Club — Its Opportunities and Problems. By H. W. Llewellyn Smith	Price 3*d.*
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Handbook No. 9.	Buildings for Boys' Clubs. By A. Llewellyn Smith, A.R.I.B.A. ...	Price 2*s.* 0*d.*
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Boys' Clubs—What they are and how they work. By Stanley Nairne, M.A.	Price 4*d.*
The Approach to Club Music. By Rose L. Henriques. Oxford University Press	Price 1*s.* 0*d.*
Club Leadership. By B. L. Q. Henriques, M.A. Oxford University Press	Price 3*s.* 6*d.*

Any of these may be obtained from The National Association of Boys' Clubs, 17, Bedford Square, London, W.C.1.

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INSURANCE. The Association has arranged schemes of Accident and Legal Liability Insurance of which particulars will be forwarded on request.

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